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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the patents, publications, and/or other information listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 (modified). Copies of cited items are enclosed in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98.

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To comply with their duty of disclosure, Applicants wish to identify the following as a related application: US Patent Application Serial No. 09/869,813 filed July 5, 2001.

This Statement is being submitted after filing of the application and after receipt of the First Office Action. Enclosed herewith is a check for \$180.00. Should any extra fees be required, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

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